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Notice of Allowability

Application No. **08/764,394**

Applicant(s)

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Examiner

Steven Nguyen

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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance and Issue Fee Due or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. This communication is responsive to amendment E filed on 10/7/99 The allowed claim(s) is/are 4 and 6; now renumbered 1-2 respectively The drawings filed on __ are acceptable. 🔀 Acknowledgement is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d). X All Some* None of the CERTIFIED copies of the priority documents have been X received. received in Application No. (Series Code/Serial Number) received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)). *Certified copies not received: Acknowledgement is made of a claim for domestic priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e). A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR RESPONSE to comply with the requirements noted below is set to EXPIRE THREE MONTHSROM THE "DATE MAILED" of this Office action. Failure to timely comply will result in ABANDONMENT of this application. Extensions of time may be obtained under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL APPLICATION, PTO-152, which discloses that the oath or declaration is deficient. A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION IS REQUIRED. X Applicant MUST submit NEW FORMAL DRAWINGS 🖔 because the originally filed drawings were declared by applicant to be informal. Ki including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review, PTO-948, attached hereto or to Paper No. 5. including changes required by the proposed drawing correction filed on ______ Nov 16, 1998 , which has been approved by the examiner. including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment/Comment. Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the reverse side of the drawings. The drawings should be filed as a separate paper with a transmittal lettter addressed to the Official Draftsperson. □ Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL. Any response to this letter should include, in the upper right hand corner, the APPLICATION NUMBER (SERIES CODE/SERIAL NUMBER). If applicant has received a Notice of Allowance and Issue Fee Due, the ISSUE BATCH NUMBER and DATE of the NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE should also be included. Attachment(s) Notice of References Cited, PTO-892 Information Disclosure Statement(s), PTO-1449, Paper No(s). Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review, PTO-948 Notice of Informal Patent Application, PTO-152 Interview Summary, PTO-413 X Examiner's Amendment/Comment Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit of Biological Material Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance

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EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Mr Jay Maioli on 12/13/99.

2. The application has been amended as follows:

As claim 4, lines 7, after the recitation "input", inserting "first".

As claim 4, lines 14, after the recitation "input", inserting "second".

As claim 4, lines 25, deleting the recitation "first" and inserting "second" after the recitation "receive said".

As claim 6, lines 7, after the recitation "input", inserting "first".

As claim 6, lines 14, after the recitation "input", inserting "second".

3. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

Regarding claims 4 and 6, the prior arts fail to suggest or teach a telephone apparatus which comprises a single modern telephone line for connecting to telephone network and connection control means wherein the connection control means for allowing the first and second

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telephone sets to transmit an audio data packet which includes addresses of the first and second

telephone set and first and second audio data within the structure of the claims.

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payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue

fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for

Allowance."

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the 4.

examiner should be directed to Steven Nguyen whose telephone number is (703) 308-8848. The

examiner can normally be reached on Monday through Friday from 8:30 AM to 5:00 PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor,

Chi Pham, can be reached on (703) 305-4378.

The fax phone number for this group is (703) 305-3988.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding

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December 13, 1999

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